United States Department of State



Washington, D.C.8 20520

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad.

The transaction described in the attached certification involves the transfer of technical information, including hardware and services for licensed production of the Evolved SeaSparrow Missile (ESSM) for ultimate sale to and end-use by the Japan Defense Agency (JDA).

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

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Matthew A. Reynolds Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable

J. Dennis Hastert,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.